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1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING LETTER FROM H. DUNNING TO
Y. ZAYTSEV WITH COPY TO MALTSEV.

JANUARY 9, 1978 08.05

Y. ZAYTSEV
DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE GAS INDUSTRY
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MOSCOW, USSR

DEAR MR. MINISTER:

THANK YOU FOR THE CONCERN YOU EXPRESSED OVER THE STATE
OF MY HEALTH IN YOUR AUGUST 30, 1977, LETTER TO
DR. GOUSE. MY HEART CONDITION HAS SIGNIFICANTLY

IMPROVED OVER TIME AND I AM AGAIN ABLE TO RESUME MY RESPONSIBILITIES AS U.S. COORDINATOR FOR THE U.S.-U.S.S.R. GAS TECHNOLOGY WORKING GROUP.

AS YOU KNOW, THE PROTOCO OF THE SECOND U.S.-U.S.S.R. JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY EMPHASIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CONTINUATION AND POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF OUR COOPERATIVE EFFORT IN THE FIELD OF GAS TECHNOLOGY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE PROTOCOL AND OUR PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE, I WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THAT A U.S. DELEGATION VISIT THE SOVIET UNION FOR ABOUT 10 DAYS IN THE BEGINNING OF APRIL TO OUTLINE A PROGRAM FOR FUTURE COOPERATION AND TO VISIT SOVIET ENHANCED GAS RECOVERY FACILITIES.

AS I NOTED IN MY APRIL 7, 1977, LETTER WE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT THE GAS MINISTRY, THE ALL UNION SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PIPELINES (VNIIST) AND THE MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION OF OIL AND GAS ENTERPRISES. WITH RESPECT TO FIELD OPERATIONS, WE WOULD LIKE TO OBSERVE GAS HYDRATES WORK, OFFSHORE DRILLING OPERATIONS AS WELL AS OTHER SITES THAT WILL GIVE US THE BEST VIEW OF YOUR ENHANCED GAS RECOVERY WORK. PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT TIME SHOULD BE SET ASIDE FOR THE NEGOTIATION OF A PROGRAM OF FUTURE COOPERATION.
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UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR SUGGESTED AGENDA AND ITINERARY, I SHALL INVITE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE AMERICAN GAS ASSOCIATION TO JOIN THE U.S. DELEGATION TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF EXPANDING OUR COOPERATION IN THE AREAS OF CITY GAS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS AND INCREASING THE EFFICIENCY OF GAS UTILIZATION IN INDUSTRY AND HOUSEHOLDS. AS NOTED IN THE JOINT COMMITTEE PROTOCOL, THE AMERICAN GAS ASSOCIATION HAS EXCLUSIVE INTEREST IN THESE AREAS. I SHALL ALSO INVITE A MEMBER OF THE FMC CORPORATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VISIT AS THE U.S. EMBASSY IN MOSCOW HAS INFORMED ME THAT THIS IS YOUR REQUEST. IN TOTAL, I ANTICIPATE THAT OUR ENTIRE DELEGATION WILL NUMBER ABOUT SIX OR SEVEN PERSONS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

WITH KIND PERSONAL REGARDS,

SINCERELY,

H. N. DUNNING

OFFICE OF ENERGY TECHNOLOGY CHRISTOPHER

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